

### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-2, 4, 6-18 remain pending in the instant application. Applicant kindly requests favorable reconsideration.

### Interview Summary

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the courtesy of the Examiner in initiating a telephone interview held Wednesday December 17, 2008, with a proposed amendment to the claims, resulting in the agreed upon amendment made above.

### Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1 and 18 are amended to recite that lay angles A and B are not equal. Claim 1 is also amended to improve its readability in a manner suggest by the Examiner. These changes are editorial in nature only, and no alteration of claim scope is effected. Claim 1 is also amended to remove limitation of the wire to a round wire, unnecessary in view of the cited art. No new matter has been added.

### Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that all claims are patentable, and kindly solicits an early and favorable notice of allowability.

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